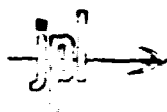


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ENCLOSURE FIRE DYNAMICS MODEL

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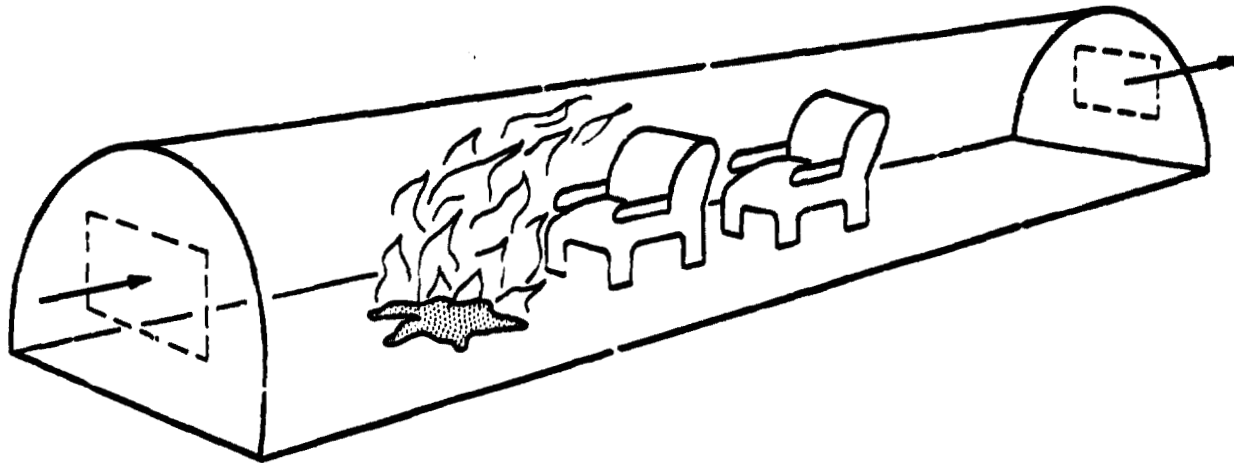
## ENCLOSURE FIRE DYNAMICS MODEL

### PLAN OF THE PRESENTATION

- 1) PRACTICAL SITUATION. WHY A FIRE DYNAMICS MODEL?
- 2) DIFFICULTIES IN ESTABLISHING A MODEL.
- 3) BRIEF REVIEW OF ENCLOSURE-FIRE MODELS AVAILABLE.
- 4) OUR APPROXIMATION OF THE PRACTICAL SITUATION.
- 5) OUR MODEL.



## PRACTICAL SITUATION



IT HAS BEEN SHOWN BY GLOBAL MODELING OF EXPERIMENTAL DATA THAT FIRE CAN BE LIMITED IN ITS PROPAGATION BY TWO FACTORS:

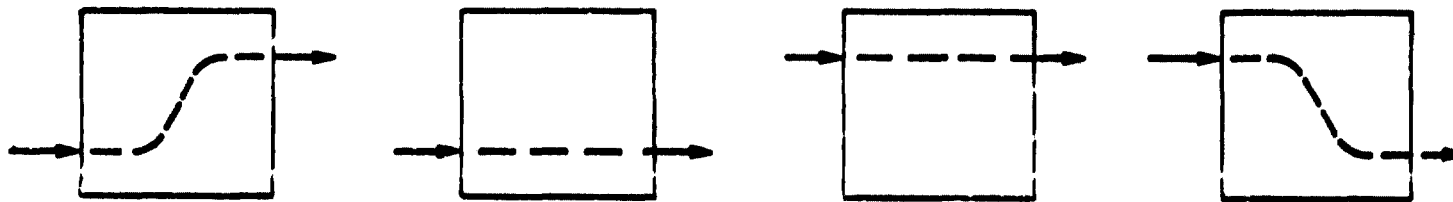
- LACK OF  $O_2$  (VENTILATION, ENCLOSURE VOLUME)
- LACK OF FUEL (FUEL LOAD, FUEL SURFACE)



## PRACTICAL SITUATION (contd)

IT HAS ADDITIONALLY BEEN OBSERVED THAT:

- THE OUTCOME OF THE FIRE IS STRONGLY INFLUENCED BY VENTILATION PATTERNS



- THE OUTCOME OF THE FIRE IS STRONGLY INFLUENCED BY THE LOCATION OF THE FIRE
- THERE IS A STRONG TEMPERATURE CHANGE NOT ONLY IN THE HORIZONTAL, BUT ALSO IN THE VERTICAL DIRECTION DUE TO AIR BUOYANCY
- SURFACES, OTHER THAN THOSE BURNING, ARE FURTHER IGNITED DUE TO RADIATION AND/OR CONVECTION FROM THE EXISTING FIRE

GLOBAL MODELING CANNOT PREDICT THESE LATTER FIRE CHARACTERISTICS

→ A DETAILED ANALYTICAL MODEL IS NEEDED



## DIFFICULTIES IN ESTABLISHING A MATHEMATICAL MODEL DESCRIBING FIRE IN AIRCRAFT

- 1) GEOMETRICAL ASPECTS
- 2) TURBULENT ASPECTS  
LACK OF DATA TO INDICATE LEVELS OF TURBULENCE TRANSPORT  
( $\text{cm}^2/\text{SEC}$ )
- 3) COMBUSTION ASPECTS  
LACK OF KNOWLEDGE ON THE DETAILED CHEMICAL MECHANISM. LACK  
OF DATA (E AND A) TO APPROXIMATE THOSE MECHANISMS BY A ONE  
STEP REACTION.
- 4) DESCRIPTION OF THE COUPLING BETWEEN COMBUSTION AND TURBULENCE
- 5) RADIATION ASPECTS  
VIEW FACTORS, EMISSIVITIES, GAS PHASE ABSORPTANCE AND TRANSMITTANCE
- 6) BOUNDARY CONDITIONS AND WALL EFFECTS  
DIFFICULT TO CORRECTLY APPROXIMATE BOTH WALL AND CORE PHENOMENA  
WITHIN REASONABLE CONSTRAINTS (MONEY, TIME, COMPUTER TIME)
- 7) LACK OF THERMOPHYSICAL AND THERMOCHEMICAL CONSTANTS FOR VARIOUS  
MATERIALS THAT ARE USED IN AIRCRAFT.



# REVIEW OF ENCLOSURE - FIRE MODELS

|                    | FIELD OR ZONE | CONSERVATION EQUATIONS |                          |        |            |       | SURFACE IGNITION | COMBUSTION OF GASES | TUB BUILDING                    | BOUNDARY CONDITIONS             |     | RADIATION   | PLUME MODEL  | SPECIFIC DATA REQUIRED  | PREDICTED QUANTITIES  |   |   |   |   |       |   |
|--------------------|---------------|------------------------|--------------------------|--------|------------|-------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|---|
|                    |               | MASS                   | MOM                      | ENERGY | GAS SPECIE | SMOKE |                  |                     |                                 | VENTILATION                     |     |   |  |   | SURFACES  |   |   |   |   |       |   |
|                    |               |                        |                          |        |            |       |                  |                     |                                 | NATURAL INC. OR FORCED OPENINGS |     |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |       |   |
| EFDM               | F (2-D)       | ✓                      | ✓                        | ✓      | ✓          | LATER | LATER            | P                   | EFFECTIVE TRANSPORT PROPERTIES  | F/N                             | 2   | NO-SLIP VELOCITY; HEAT TRANSFER TO SURFACES; GASIFICATION OF FUEL | ✓  | N/A   | THERMOPHYSICAL AND THERMOCHEMICAL PROPERTIES, STOICHIOMETRY                               | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | LATER | ✓   |
| NOTRE DAME         | F (2-D)       | ✓                      | ✓                        | ✓      |            |       |                  |                     | ALGEBRAIC MODEL (CORE AND WALL) | N                               | 1,2 | NO-SLIP VELOCITY; HEAT TRANSFER TO SURFACES                       | 1-D MODEL; SOOT, H <sub>2</sub> O, CO <sub>2</sub> BANDS                 | N/A   | VARIOUS FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICAL PROPERTIES; SPECIE AND SOOT CONCENTRATION                    | ✓ | ✓ | ? | ✓ |       |   |
| Mc DONNELL DOUGLAS | Z (3)         | ✓                      |                          | ✓      | UK         |       | UK               | SE                  |                                 | UK                              | UK  | HEAT TRANSFER TO SURFACES   | BLACK BODY?  |   | UK  |   | ✓ | ✓ |   |       | UK  |
| DAYTON             | Z (3)         | ✓-E                    | PLUME, CEILING, JET ONLY | ✓-E    | ✓-E        | ✓-E   | ✓-E              | E                   |                                 | F/N                             | 2   | HEAT TRANSFER TO WALLS AND CEILING                                | ABSORBING AND EMITTING UPPER LAYER; FLAME RADIATION MODEL INCLUDING SOOT | FANG/ROCKET FLAME/PLUME MODEL; STEWARD MODEL IN BUOYANT PLUME | RATES AND TIMES GOVERNING TRANSITION STATES; HEAT RELEASE, SPECIE EVOLUTION, FLAME SPREAD |   | ✓ | ✓ |   | ✓     | O <sub>2</sub> , CO, HCN, HCl, SO <sub>2</sub> , HF |
| IITRI              | Z (2)         | ✓-E                    |                          | ✓-E    |            |       | ✓-E              | E                   |                                 | N                               | 1   | HEAT TRANSFER TO WALLS AND CEILING                                | BLACK BODY?  | FANG'S FLAME/PLUME MODEL                                      | FUEL GASIFICATION RATES; COMBUSTION EFFICIENCY  |   | ✓ | ✓ |   |       |   |
| NBS                | Z (4)         | ✓                      |                          | ✓      |            |       |                  | P                   |                                 | N                               | 1   | HEAT TRANSFER TO WALLS AND CEILING                                |  | STEWART'S "TURBULENT DIFFUSION BUOYANT FLAME" MODEL           | SOOT CONCENTRATION ΔH, GASIFICATION TEMPS, STOICHIOMETRY                                  |   |   |   |   |       |   |
| HARVARD            | Z (2)         | ✓-E                    |                          | ✓-E    |            |       |                  | E                   |                                 | N                               | 1   | HEAT TRANSFER TO UPPER WALLS AND CEILING                          | ?  | MORTON'S "POINT-SOURCE" BUOYANT PLUME                         | BURNING RATES   |   | ✓ | ✓ |   |       |   |

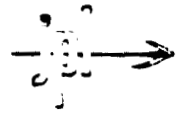
E - EMPIRICAL INPUT REQUIRED  
SE - SEMI-EMPIRICAL

P - PREDICTED  
NA - NOT APPLICABLE

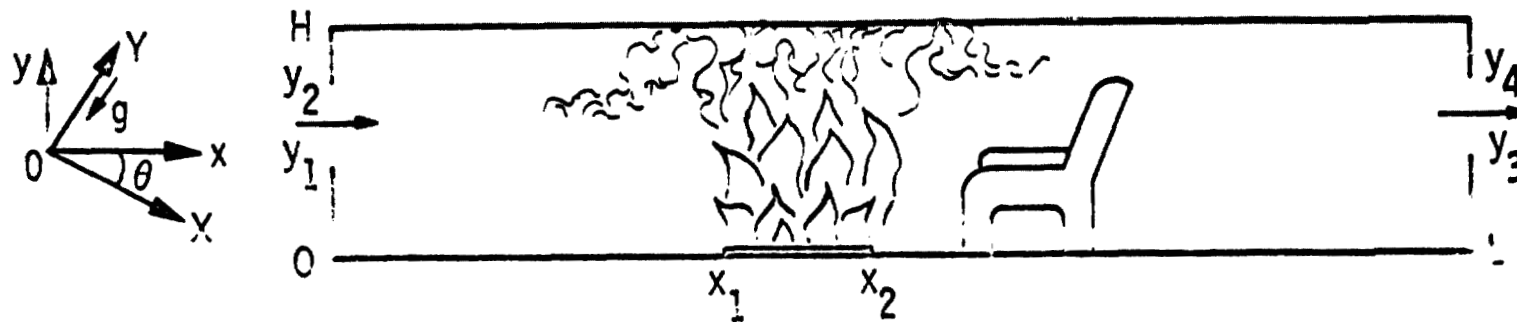
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## APPROXIMATION OF THE PRACTICAL SITUATION



### MATHEMATICAL MODELING INCLUDES:

- WRITING THE CONSERVATION EQUATIONS FOR TURBULENT FLOW
- MODELING THE COMBUSTION TERMS IN THESE EQUATIONS
- MODELING THE RADIATION TERMS IN THESE EQUATIONS
- WRITING THE BOUNDARY CONDITIONS FOR A GIVEN SITUATION
- WRITING THE INITIAL CONDITIONS FOR A GIVEN SITUATION
- FINDING THE VALUE OF THE RELEVANT BASIC CONSTANTS THAT ARE RELATED TO MATERIAL PROPERTIES



# THE CONSERVATION EQUATIONS

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## MASS

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t}}_{\text{transient term}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial(\rho u)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial(\rho v)}{\partial y}}_{\text{convective terms}} = 0$$

## x-MOMENTUM COMPONENT

$$\underbrace{\rho \frac{\partial u}{\partial t}}_{\text{transient term}} + \underbrace{\rho u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}}_{\text{convective terms}} = - \underbrace{\frac{\partial p}{\partial x}}_{\text{pressure change term}} - \underbrace{g \rho \sin \theta}_{\text{buoyancy term}}$$

$$\underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \left( -\frac{2}{3} \mu_T \right) \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) \right] + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \mu_{x_T} \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \mu_{y_T} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \right]}_{\text{viscous stress terms (turbulent)}}$$





# THE CONSERVATION EQUATIONS

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## y-MOMENTUM COMPONENT

$$\underbrace{\rho \frac{\partial v}{\partial t}}_{\text{transient term}} + \underbrace{\rho u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}}_{\text{convective terms}} = - \underbrace{\frac{\partial p}{\partial y}}_{\text{pressure change term}} - \underbrace{g \rho \cos \theta}_{\text{buoyancy term}}$$

$$+ \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \mu_{x_T} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \left( -\frac{2}{3} \mu_T \right) \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) \right] + 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left[ \mu_{y_T} \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right]}_{\text{viscous stress terms (turbulent)}}$$

## SPECIES

$$\underbrace{\rho \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial t}}_{\text{transient term}} + \underbrace{\rho u \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial x} + \rho v \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial y}}_{\text{convective terms}} = \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( D_{x_T} \rho \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( D_{y_T} \rho \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial y} \right)}_{\text{diffusive terms (turbulent)}} + \underbrace{\dot{\omega}_i}_{\text{source or sink term}}$$

i = fuel, oxygen, nitrogen, water, carbon dioxide.



# THE CONSERVATION EQUATIONS

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## ENERGY

$$\rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} + \underbrace{\rho u C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + \rho v C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial y}}_{\text{convective terms}} = \underbrace{-\frac{\partial p}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k_{x_T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( k_{y_T} \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right)}_{\text{conductive terms (turbulent)}}$$

transient  
term

convective terms

pressure  
change  
term

conductive terms (turbulent)

$-g\rho v$

+

$\dot{Q}\rho$

+

$\dot{R}_{\text{net}}$

work

source of  
heat due  
to combustion

radiation  
term

## STATE

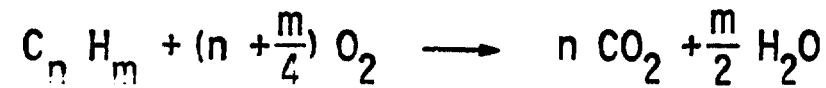
$$p = \rho RT \text{ with } R = R_u \sum_i \frac{Y_i}{W_i}$$

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## MODELING OF COMBUSTION



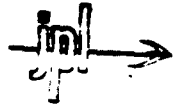
$$\dot{w}_F = c_1 \dot{w}_{O_2} \quad \text{with} \quad c_1 = \frac{w_F}{w_{O_2}} \frac{1}{n + \frac{m}{4}}$$

$$\dot{w}_{CO_2} = -c_2 \dot{w}_{O_2} \quad \text{with} \quad c_2 = \frac{w_{CO_2}}{w_{O_2}} \frac{n}{n + \frac{m}{4}}$$

$$\dot{w}_{H_2O} = -c_3 \dot{w}_{O_2} \quad \text{with} \quad c_3 = \frac{w_{H_2O}}{w_{O_2}} \frac{m/2}{n + \frac{m}{4}}$$

$$\dot{w}_{O_2} = w_{O_2} \frac{d [O_2]}{dt} = -k_f \frac{1}{w_F} Y_F Y_{O_2} \rho^2 \quad \text{with} \quad k_f = A e^{-E/RT}$$

$$\dot{Q} = \frac{1}{p} \left( c_1 h_F^0 - c_2 h_{CO_2}^0 - c_3 h_{H_2O}^0 \right) (-\dot{w}_{O_2})$$



## BOUNDARY CONDITIONS

WALLS ( INERT )

$$u = 0 \quad , \quad v = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial \vec{n}} = 0 \quad ; \quad \vec{n} \text{ is the direction perpendicular to the wall}$$

thin wall assumption

$$\delta_w \rho_w C_w \frac{\partial T_w}{\partial t} = k_g \frac{\partial T}{\partial \vec{n}} + \dot{q}_{\text{net rad}} + l \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{s}} \left( k_{s_w} \frac{\partial T_w}{\partial \vec{s}} \right) \quad ; \quad \vec{s} \text{ is the direction along the wall;}$$

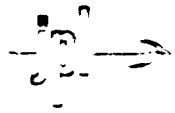
$$l = \begin{cases} H & \text{if } \vec{n} = \vec{x} \\ L & \text{if } \vec{n} = \vec{y} \end{cases}$$

ENTRANCE ( $x = 0$ , ;  $y_1 < y < y_2$ )

$$A \bar{\rho} \bar{u} = \dot{m}_{\text{air}} \quad (\text{forced ventilation})$$

$$v = 0$$

$$\rho, T, Y_F, Y_{O_2}, Y_{N_2}, Y_{CO_2}, Y_{H_2O} \quad \text{given}$$



## BOUNDARY CONDITIONS (Cont'd)

EXIT ( $x = L : y_2 < y < y_4$ )

$\rho, u, v, Y_F, Y_{O_2}, Y_{N_2}, Y_{CO_2}, Y_{H_2O}, T$  are found by forward extrapolation

POOL SURFACE ( $y = 0, x_1 < x < x_2$ )

$$u = 0$$

$$\rho v Y_F - \rho D \frac{\partial Y_F}{\partial y} = \dot{M}_F$$

$$\rho v Y_i - \rho D \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial y} = 0 \quad i = O_2, N_2, CO_2, H_2O$$

$$\dot{M}_F = \alpha p_{atm} \left[ \frac{L_g}{R_u} \left( \frac{1}{T_b} - \frac{1}{T_l} \right) - \frac{Y_F}{w_F} \frac{1}{\sum \frac{Y_i}{w_i}} \right] \left( \frac{w_F}{2\pi \tilde{R} T_l} \right)^{1/2}$$

thin wall assumption

$$\delta_l \rho_l C_l \frac{\partial T_l}{\partial t} = k_g \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + \dot{q}_{net, rad} - \dot{M}_F L_g$$



## PRESENT AND FUTURE WORK

- 1) MODEL THE RADIATION TERMS
  - IN THE ENERGY EQUATION
  - IN THE BOUNDARY CONDITIONS
- 2) ENCODE THE EQUATIONS
  - SELECT A COMPUTATION SCHEME
  - TRANSFORM THE EQUATIONS FROM A DIFFERENTIAL TO A FINITE FORM
  - DEVELOP A COMPUTER CODE
- 3) ASCERTAIN THERMOPHYSICAL AND THERMOCHEMICAL CONSTANTS THAT ARE RELEVANT TO AIRCRAFT MATERIALS
- 4) CHARACTERIZE THE FLOW CONDITIONS IN AIRCRAFT (LEVELS OF TURBULENCE) USING AVAILABLE EXPERIMENTAL DATA